#### **APPENDIX C: BIOGRAPHIES**

## Public Health - Seattle & King County

David Fleming, MD, is Director and Health Officer for Public Health - Seattle & King County, a large metropolitan health department with 1500 fulltime employees and a budget of \$296 million, serving a resident population of 1.8 million people. Programs and services range from core prevention activities to environmental health, community oriented primary care, emergency medical services, correctional health services, Public Health preparedness, and community-based public health assessment and practices. Prior to assuming this role, Dr. Fleming directed the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Global Health Strategies Program. In this capacity, Dr. Fleming oversaw the Foundation's portfolios in vaccine-preventable diseases, nutrition, newborn and child health, leadership, emergency relief, and cross-cutting strategies to improve access to health tools in developing countries.

Dr. Fleming has also served as the Deputy Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and as the State Epidemiologist of Oregon. He has published on a wide range of public health issues, and has served on a number of boards and commissions and committees. Dr. Fleming received his medical degree from the State University of New York Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. He is board certified in internal medicine and preventive medicine and serves on the faculty of the departments of public health at both the University of Washington and Oregon Health Sciences University.

Karen Hartfield, MPH (PBRN Coordinator) is an HIV/AIDS Prevention Planner for Public Health - Seattle & King County, as well as a Coordinator for Academic Partnership and Practice between PHSKC and the UW School of Public Health and Community Medicine. She is a part-time lecturer at the UW School of Public Health and has previously served there as clinical faculty. Prior to her current role, Ms. Hartfield worked as an Asthma Prevention and Management Planner, a Consultant to the UW Women's Health Research Project, and an HIV/AIDS Education Coordinator. Ms. Hartfield earned her MPH in Maternal and Child Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and her BA in Psychology from Harvard University.

Hanne Thiede, DVM, MPH (Research Manager) is a Senior Epidemiologist in the HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Unit and a Public Health Veterinarian in the Communicable Disease Control Epidemiology & Immunization Section at Public Health - Seattle & King County. She is also a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Epidemiology at the University of Washington. She earned her DVM from the Royal Veterinary & Agricultural University in Copenhagen, and her MPH from the University of Washington. Dr. Thiede currently serves as Chair of the Washington State Institutional Review Board. She also serves on the Sociobehavioral and Prevention Research Core Steering Committee at the University of Washington Center for AIDS Research.

Ann Madhavan, MLS is the public health librarian at Public Health - Seattle & King County. She received her Masters of Science in Library and Information Science from Drexel University (Philadelphia, PA). Ms. Madhavan has previously worked as a library assistant at Mercy Hospital in Anderson, OH, at Thomas Jefferson University's Scott

Memorial Library in Philadelphia, and as an information specialist with ECRI Institute in Plymouth Meeting, PA.

Meg Goldman, MBA, MA is the grant and program development manager for Public Health - Seattle & King County. She has worked for over 25 years on program and grant development in the nonprofit and public sectors in Seattle and Boston, including five years with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Ms. Goldman earned an MBA and an MA in Sociology from Boston College, and a BA in Anthropology from the University of Chicago.

### **University of Washington**

Susan Allan, MD, JD, MPH is the Director of the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice and an Associate Professor at the University of Washington. Dr. Allan's experience includes three years as state public health director (Oregon) and 18 years as local public health director (Arlington, Virginia). Both positions included responsibility for a wide range of disease investigation and control activities. In Oregon, she led the revision of the state's public health laws.

Dr. Allan has served on many national public health boards and committees, including CDC workgroups on Law Enforcement and Public Health Emergencies, and Community Mitigation for Pandemic Influenza; the Institute of Medicine committees and reports on "Educating Public Health Professionals for the 21st Century" and "Training Physicians for Public Health Career"; the Council on Education for Public Health, which accredits schools and programs of public health; the Council on Linkages between Academia and Public Health Practice; the Board on Population Health and Public Health Practice of the Institute of Medicine; the Public Policy Advisory Council of the National March of Dimes; and the HHS Advisory Committee for emergency preparedness activities for the RAND Corporation. She has participated as an invited speaker in many conferences and panels on emergency preparedness and public health systems research.

Bobbie Berkowitz, PhD, RN is currently the Alumni Endowed Professor of Nursing at the University of Washington School of Nursing, Interim Chair of the Department of Psychosocial and Community Health, and Adjunct Professor in the School of Public Health and Community Medicine. Dr. Berkowitz directed the NIH/NINR funded Center for the Advancement of Health Disparities Research at the UW School of Nursing from 2002 to 2007, and from 1998 through 2006 she directed the National Program Office for the RWJF funded Turning Point Initiative. She was Chair of the Department of Psychosocial and Community Health at the UW School of Nursing from 1998 through 2004. She joined the faculty at the University of Washington in July 1996 after having served as Deputy Secretary for the Washington State Department of Health and Chief of Nursing Services for the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health.

Dr. Berkowitz has served on the Washington State Board of Health and the Washington Health Care Commission. She serves on the Editorial Boards for <u>Public Health Nursing</u>, <u>Journal of Public Health Management and Practice</u>, and the <u>American Journal of Public Health</u>, as Senior Associate Editor of <u>Policy</u>, <u>Politics</u>, and <u>Nursing Practice</u>, and as Associate Editor of <u>Nursing Outlook</u>. She serves on the boards of the American Academy of Nursing, the Washington Center on Nursing and is the Chair of the Board of Directors of QualisHealth and Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees for Group Health

Cooperative. Dr. Berkowitz is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and a member of the Institute of Medicine. She holds a Ph.D. in Nursing Science from Case Western Reserve University and Master of Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Washington.

Betty Bekemeier, PhD, MPH, RN is an Assistant Professor at the University of Washington School of Nursing where her focus is on public health systems research, particularly as it pertains to state and local health departments and public health nurses. Dr. Bekemeier serves in leadership positions within the American Public Health Association and the Washington State Public Health Association. Most recently she also served as the Deputy Director of The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Turning Point National Program Office, working with local and state health department colleagues and partners across the country to transform their public health infrastructure. Prior to this she was at the University of Washington's Northwest Center for Public Health Practice where she worked with Northwest States to improve the skills and capacity of their public health workforce. The majority of Dr. Bekemeier's career has otherwise been in local public health practice were she has worked in a variety of positions including providing Public Health Nursing field services, managing field staff and clinical programs, and heading up community assessment activities as an epidemiologist.

#### **Local Health Jurisdictions**

Larry D. Jecha, MD, MPH is the Health Officer of the Benton-Franklin Health District. Dr. Jecha earned his medical degree and undergraduate chemistry degree from the University of Kansas, and received board certification in Aerospace medicine. Following a 23-year military career that included numerous positions in the Air Force, Dr. Jecha has spent the past 18 years involved in many public health activities in the community and state, including serving as the President of the Benton/Franklin Health Alliance, serving on the Board of Trustees for both local and state medical societies, serving on the Advisory Board of WSU Tri-Cities, and serving as the Regional Vice-President of the Washington State Public Health Association.

Barry Kling, MSPH is the Administrator for the Chelan Douglas Health District. After earning his Master of Science degree in Public Health from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine, Mr. Kling worked for the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes on the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming to help establish a tribal health department. He later returned to the University of Missouri School of Medicine and spent twenty years developing and implementing rural health and health professions education programs. Mr. Kling was Associate Dean for External Affairs for his last 3 years with the school, and his work involved a wide range of projects, including cardiovascular risk reduction projects for small rural communities, and the development of a nationally recognized rural telemedicine network.

John Weisman, MPH is the Director of the Clark County Health Department. Prior to his current role, Mr. Weisman had 13 years of experience working in local public health in Connecticut and Washington State. He has worked both in management and as an administrator, helping to implement population-based prevention services, manage change, and develop and launch new initiatives. Mr. Weisman received an MPH from Yale University and a BA from Lawrence University.

Scott Lindquist, MD, MPH is the Director of the Kitsap County Health District. Dr. Lindquist earned his MD from the University of Washington and his MPH in International Health from Harvard University. His research interests include tuberculosis and infectious diseases, and Dr. Lindquist currently serves as a Tuberculosis Medical Consultant to the Washington State Department of Health and the Spokane Regional Health District.

Gary Goldbaum, MD, MPH is the Health Officer and Director of the Snohomish Health District. He also holds appointments as Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Adjunct Associate Professor of Health Services and Family Medicine at the University of Washington. Dr. Goldbaum is a graduate of the University of Colorado School of Medicine and the University of Washington School of Public Health and Community Medicine, and has been certified by the American Board of Family Practice and the American Board of Preventive Medicine. Dr. Goldbaum's numerous journal articles reflect his interest in chronic disease, injury, infectious diseases, and the behaviors that place people at risk for disease.

Torney Smith is the Administrator of the Spokane Regional Health District. He is a member of Washington State University's Health Policy Analysis Program Advisory Committee, and he chairs the Washington State Standards Committee for the public health system. Mr. Smith earned his graduate degree in health education from Whitworth College, and his BS degree in economics from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the 2004 Public Health Leadership Institute in Chapel Hill, and he was one of the founding partners and remains active in the Community Minded Enterprises as a member of CME's board, executive committee, and planning committee.

Laurie Jinkins, JD, MA is the Interim Director of the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department. Previously, Ms. Jinkins served as Assistant Secretary of Health Systems Quality Assurance for the State Department of Health. She is a well-known Tacoma civic leader and gay-rights activist, and led Tacoma's charter review commission in 2004 and chaired the successful 2002 campaign against repeal of a city ordinance extending non-discrimination protections to gays. In addition to her activism on LGBT issues, Ms. Jinkins has served on the Boards of Seattle University School of Law, Tacoma Community House, Tacoma/Pierce County American Leadership Forum, Tacoma/Pierce County YWCA and African American Museum.

Sherri McDonald, MPA, RN serves as director of the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department. Ms. McDonald has previously served as a Senior Public Health Nurse for the Washington State Department of Health, and Director of the Pacific County Health and Human Services Department. She has also provided leadership in a variety of professional organizations including the National Association of County & City Health Officials and the Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials. She is a current member of the Board of Scientific Counselors for the National Center for Public Health Informatics (CDC). Ms. McDonald holds a Master of Public Administration degree from The Evergreen State College, and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Eastern Washington University.

# Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials (WSALPHO)

Jeff Killip, JD, MPH is the Managing Director of the Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials (WSALPHO). Mr. Killip has served as the Assistant Attorney General of Washington State, Assistant Attorney General of Alaska, and as a Health Systems Administrator/Program Manager for the Behavioral Health Fireweed Clinic in Anchorage, Alaska. He is licensed to practice law in the States of Washington, Alaska, and Colorado, and he is a member of the American Public Health Association and the Washington State Public Health Association. He earned his JD from the Seattle University School of Law and his MPH from Johns Hopkins University.

## Washington Department of Health (DOH)

Mary Selecky has served as Secretary of the Washington State Department of Health since March 1999, serving under Governor Chris Gregoire and former Governor Gary Locke. Prior to working for the state, Ms. Selecky had 20-year tenure as administrator of the Northeast Tri-County Health District in Colville, Washington. Throughout her career, Ms. Selecky has been a leader in developing local, state and national public health policies. She is a past president of the *Association of State and Territorial Health Officials*, receiving the 2004 McCormack Award for excellence in public health, and is a past president of the *Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials*. Ms. Selecky served on the Board of Directors of the *National Association of City and County Health Officials*. In 1989, Ms. Selecky helped create the state's Department of Health, which she now leads. She was also instrumental in developing Washington's nationally recognized *Public Health Improvement Partnership*.